

**Proposed Substitute  
Bill No. 1030**

LCO No. 7685

**AN ACT IMPLEMENTING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK  
FORCE TO STUDY METHODS FOR IMPROVING THE COLLECTION  
OF PAST DUE CHILD SUPPORT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 46b-225 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2015*):

3 Any judicial marshal may serve a capias mittimus or a copy thereof  
4 made by any photographic, micrographic, electronic imaging or other  
5 process, which clearly and accurately copies such original document,  
6 on any person who is in the custody of the marshal or is in a  
7 courthouse where the marshal provides courthouse security if such  
8 capias mittimus was issued in a child support matter by (1) a court or a  
9 family support magistrate pursuant to subdivision (8) of subsection (a)  
10 of section 17b-745 or subparagraph (C) of subdivision (8) of subsection  
11 (a) of section 46b-215; or (2) a family support magistrate pursuant to  
12 subdivision (1) of subsection (m) of section 46b-231.

13 Sec. 2. Subsection (e) of section 6-38b of the general statutes is  
14 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
15 *passage*):

16 (e) The commission, in consultation with the State Marshals

17 Advisory Board, shall (1) adopt regulations in accordance with the  
18 provisions of chapter 54 to establish professional standards, including  
19 training requirements and minimum fees for execution and service of  
20 process, and (2) implement policies and procedures to increase state  
21 marshal participation in the serving of capias mittimus orders. Such  
22 policies and procedures may require that at all times a certain minimal  
23 percentage of the overall number of state marshals shall be actively  
24 engaged in the service of capias mittimus orders.

25 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 3-119 of the general statutes is  
26 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
27 *1, 2015*):

28 (a) The Comptroller shall pay all salaries and wages not less than  
29 ten calendar days or more than fifteen calendar days after the close of  
30 the payroll period in which the services were rendered, except as  
31 provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, but shall draw no  
32 order in payment for any service of which the payroll officer of the  
33 state has official knowledge without the signed statement of the latter  
34 that all employees listed on the payroll of each agency have been duly  
35 appointed to authorized positions and have rendered the services for  
36 which payment is to be made. The Comptroller is authorized to  
37 develop, install and operate a comprehensive fully documented  
38 electronic system for effective personnel data, for payment of  
39 compensation to all state employees and officers and for maintenance  
40 of a chronological and permanent record of compensation paid to each  
41 employee and officer for the state employees retirement system and  
42 other purposes. Such electronic system shall also facilitate the  
43 electronic processing of an income withholding order entered by a  
44 state or federal court, including any such order transmitted to the  
45 Comptroller by means of the electronic income withholding order  
46 process implemented by the federal Office of Child Support  
47 Enforcement. The Comptroller is authorized to establish an accounting  
48 procedure to implement this section.

49 Sec. 4. Subsection (h) of section 31-227 of the general statutes is

50 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
51 *1, 2015*):

52 (h) (1) An individual filing an initial claim for unemployment  
53 compensation shall, at the time of filing such claim, disclose whether  
54 or not the individual owes child support obligations as defined under  
55 subdivision (6) of this subsection. If any such individual discloses that  
56 he or she owes child support obligations and has been determined to  
57 be eligible for unemployment compensation, the administrator shall  
58 notify the state or local child support enforcement agency enforcing  
59 such obligation that the individual is eligible for unemployment  
60 compensation.

61 (2) The administrator shall deduct and withhold from any  
62 unemployment compensation payable to an individual who owes  
63 child support obligations (A) the amount specified by the individual to  
64 the administrator to be deducted and withheld under this subsection,  
65 if neither subparagraph (B) nor (C) is applicable, or (B) the amount  
66 determined pursuant to an agreement submitted to the administrator  
67 under Section 654(20)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act by the state or  
68 local child support enforcement agency, unless subparagraph (C) is  
69 applicable, or (C) any amount otherwise required to be so deducted  
70 and withheld from such unemployment compensation pursuant to  
71 legal process, as defined in Section 662(e) of the Social Security Act,  
72 properly served upon the administrator. For purposes of this  
73 subdivision, legal process shall be deemed properly served upon the  
74 administrator if such legal process is transmitted to the administrator  
75 by means of the electronic income withholding order process  
76 implemented by the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement.

77 (3) Any amount deducted and withheld under subdivision (2) of  
78 this subsection shall be paid by the administrator to the appropriate  
79 state or local child support enforcement agency.

80 (4) Any amount deducted and withheld under subdivision (2) of  
81 this subsection shall for all purposes be treated as if it were paid to the  
82 individual as unemployment compensation and paid by such

83 individual to the state or local child support enforcement agency in  
84 satisfaction of the individual's child support obligations.

85 (5) This subsection shall be applicable only if appropriate  
86 arrangements have been made for reimbursement by the state or local  
87 child support enforcement agency for the administrative costs incurred  
88 by the administrator under this subsection which are attributable to  
89 child support obligations being enforced by such state or local child  
90 support enforcement agency.

91 (6) For purposes of this subsection, the term "unemployment  
92 compensation" means any compensation payable under this chapter,  
93 including amounts payable by the administrator pursuant to an  
94 agreement under any federal law providing for compensation,  
95 assistance, or allowances with respect to unemployment; "child  
96 support obligations" includes only obligations which are being  
97 enforced pursuant to a plan described in Section 654 of the Social  
98 Security Act which has been approved by the Secretary of Health and  
99 Human Services under Part D of Title IV of the Social Security Act; and  
100 "state or local child support enforcement agency" means any agency of  
101 this state or a political subdivision thereof operating pursuant to a plan  
102 described in Section 654 of the Social Security Act which has been  
103 approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under Part D  
104 of Title IV of the Social Security Act.

105 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) Notwithstanding the  
106 provisions of chapter 319s, 815y, 816 or 906 of the general statutes,  
107 absent a court order, no employee of the Department of Social Services  
108 or Support Enforcement Services may contact the employer of an  
109 individual, who has been named as the putative father of the child in  
110 connection with a IV-D support case, as defined in section 46b-231 of  
111 the general statutes, unless such individual has been adjudicated the  
112 father of the child in accordance with the laws of this state or any other  
113 state.

114 Sec. 6. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force to  
115 study technological and other initiatives that could be implemented by

116 the state to maximize the collection of child support due and owing to  
117 state residents. Such study shall specifically identify technological  
118 enhancements that are needed to ensure compliance with court orders  
119 relating to the payment of child support.

120 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

121 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

122 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

123 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
124 Representatives;

125 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

126 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
127 Representatives;

128 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

129 (7) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's  
130 designee; and

131 (8) The Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court  
132 Administrator's designee.

133 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),  
134 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member  
135 of the General Assembly.

136 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than  
137 ninety days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
138 filled by the appointing authority.

139 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
140 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force  
141 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall  
142 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not

143 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

144 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
145 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the  
146 judiciary shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

147 (g) Not later than January 1, 2017, the task force shall submit a  
148 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
149 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
150 relating to the judiciary, in accordance with the provisions of section  
151 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date  
152 that it submits such report or January 1, 2017, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	46b-225
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	6-38b(e)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	3-119(a)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	31-227(h)
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